

## Introductory Sermon.

The introductory sermon at the Episcopal Convention in Richmond, was delivered by Rev. Bishop Orey, of Tennessee. He occupied the text the 15th verse of the 10th chapter of Mark: "Verily I say unto you, whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein."

The remarks of the Bishop were confined to a most interesting topic—namely, the training of the young in the way of holiness. Many of us, he thought, would live to see the day when the nation pass into the hands of those little beings who are now playing with their toys; and to maintain the vital principle of the republic, so that it may prosper in the hands of the future generation, it is necessary to give the moral training which is before us the plastic touch of education. Lessons taught in early childhood, though never forgotten, may effect the term education in its popular acceptance. He appealed to that which improves the character, and fills the mind with lessons of virtue. He alluded to the many institutions and seminaries in the land, where the mind is filled with extreme care, while the moral culture is almost entirely neglected. Knowledge is a great lever, but the moral character depends upon the manner in which it is acquired. A knowledge of mathematics, natural philosophy, and other branches of science, unaccompanied by religious teaching, would not make a child a better man. The child should be surrounded with everything pure—should be carried by the hand of grace—and by this means all vicious germs would be expelled, and his character formed for excellence and usefulness.

The reverend speaker then drew a startling picture of a community destitute of religion, and a picture of a civilized community, from which the mild influences of religion were removed. The mind would shrink from the contemplation of such a scene. The moral degradation which such a condition of things would exhibit, was delineated in most forcible language. Knowledge might vanish away, but virtue would live forever; and he thought that unless the popular error that human knowledge was sufficient for the nation would be fully corrected, in a few years this nation would be the laughing stock of all eyes.

He next considered the benefits of early religious culture in another and more important light. Children have souls to save, and such depends upon the direction given to the infant mind by those who have the care of them. He said it was a noble work; and the Church, from her earliest days had considered it as such. She makes it the duty of the ministers to instruct and catechize the children of the parish, and he urged the parents to assist in this important work. He finally considered the family circle as the nursery for heaven. There the infant heart is moulded for time, and for eternity. It is the birthplace of man's character—all others are but a passing breeze. The little plaything which we dandle on the knee has a thinking soul, destined for heaven or hell—God has appointed the teachers—their hands committed its destiny. If the duty is neglected, how shall we answer to God for it? The speaker closed his eloquent address, by an allusion to the sorrowful death-bed reflections of those parents who fail to instill into the minds of their children the truths of God's word.

THE TEMPERANCE FOUNTAINS OF CONSTANTINOPLE.—The Constantinian Fathers of our City of New York are doing something in the way of opening fountains in the streets for the use of the people. This is a happy resolution. They do something of the sort in Constantinople.

We are afraid that it will be a long time before we shall have the thing done well in New York, so as to keep the water cool, the Mohammedan Empire, with its gorgeous mosques and their magnificent domes and beautiful minarets.

Constantinople is supplied with excellent water by means of an aqueduct fourteen miles in length. From a central reservoir it is raised by pipes to many, if not all parts of the city. At convenient places, along the streets, the water is seen trickling down, in a small stream, from fountains which the government has opened for the benefit of the passers by. These fountains are shaded, as far as possible, so as to keep the water cool, the shade of the fountain on a stone plank or seat, stands a row of plain, but convenient cups. And near to each fountain stands a man whose business it is to see that these cups are always kept full of water. As soon as a passer-by empties one of these cups and goes away, the attendant steps up and causes it to be filled again—which may require a minute or two, for the fountains are very small. It is on this account that there are several cups, and almost always full,—to provide for the contingency of several coming up to drink at one time, as sometimes happens.

The municipal government, we suppose, has caused these fountains to be opened, but the attendants, whose task is to keep the cups replenished, are hired by rich Mohammedans. In many cases, rich men bequeath the shape of permanent funds, sufficient to maintain a trustworthy man to look after a fountain, and see that the people, as they pass, shall day and night find cups of pure and cool water ready for them.

This is beautiful, but who will look after the fountains which we are going to have in our Gotham?—*Journal of Commerce.*

[COMMUNICATED.] My attention was attracted to a singular communication in yesterday's Gazette, signed "King Street," in which the writer of the article in question seems to exult "that the Grand Jury have very properly pronounced the condition of the Police department."

I called at the Court House to see the nature of this communication, and find that there is no such thing upon the Records, therefore "King Street" is behind the times. So much for writing upon things and matters without being posted.

It is strange that every man in the city feels that he has the right, and some think it their duty, to assault and wound the feelings of those men who devote their time and attention to the best interests of the city. The worthy Mayor is competent, and will correct any evil if complained to, and "King Street" is inquisitive, or at least inquisitive a dereliction of duty upon his part. "King Street" thinks the city is very heavily taxed to support the present Police force. Let us see what that thorough tax amounts to. Upon inquiry I find each Police Officer receives the enormous sum of three hundred dollars. Pardon me, and that in fact the fine, &c. collected are sufficient to pay, without the police being at all a burden to the Corporation. I can but think it unjust to make such sweeping declarations against worthy men, but if there is dereliction of duty, make the specific charge, and let it stand upon their merits. I may hereafter review the singular proceedings of that august body, the Grand Jury. P. W.

ADIES CLOAKS.—Just received a full assortment in great variety of styles, to which we invite attention.

G. K. WITMER & BRO. 30 BBLs very superior family FLOUR, for sale by GEORGE H. ROBINSON.

## BY YESTERDAY EVENING'S MAILS.

FATAL OCCURRENCE.—On the 27th ultimo, a servant in the employ of James Willis, esq., of Orange County, descended a well at that gentleman's residence for the purpose of cleaning it. In a few moments grains were heard, and another servant descended to the rescue of the first, and it is supposed was immediately rendered helpless from inhaling the noxious gas in the bottom of the well.—Measures were immediately taken to get the two men out, but too late to save life, as they were discovered to be quite dead when brought to the surface.—*Culpeper Observer.*

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Grand Gordon, a free negro, in the employ of Wm. G. Thompson, esq., of this county, came to his death on Saturday last, several miles below New Market, by being run over by a wagon. He was returning from Mr. Jackson's with a load of goods, and being behind his team in company with several other drivers, the mail stage approached, when he ran to his horse, and in the attempt to mount the saddle-horse, he slipped and fell, the wagon passing over him and crushing him in a horrible manner.—Medical aid was called immediately, but to no purpose. He died in a short time after the accident occurred.—*Valley Democrat.*

The Rockingham Register says:—"A large bear was killed within 2 miles of Rawley Springs, on Thursday night of last week, by Geo. Atry and Israel Minnick, who set a loaded gun for him in John Hughes' cornfield. We learn that these animals are very numerous in the Western and Eastern mountain regions of the county. Six or seven of them were in Sam'l. Wheelbarrow's cornfield in the neighborhood of Dry River in one night, a week or so since; and several others have been visiting other cornfields in the same section."

In the Eastern section of the county there has also been a great deal of excitement, caused by the visits of bears to the low lands. Our friend, Col. Henry Miller, of the Shenandoah County, near Cottonwood, was shot this week, and several others, large and small, have been run down and butchered in the same region. Near McGeheysville several have been seen. They killed a hog at David Scott's and three hogs at Hog Harner's."

FIRE.—The Winchester Virginian says:—"The barn and stables of Mr. John C. Lee, of Shenandoah County, near Cottonwood, were destroyed by fire on Wednesday or Thursday night last—the act of an incendiary. Mr. C. Lee's loss will probably amount to \$1500—no insurance."

MARRIED.—On Thursday afternoon, in the Fourth Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. John C. Smith, BERNARD C. MAJOR, esq., of Sta. Leger, the daughter of George W. Fales, esq., of Washington.

On Thursday, 6th inst., by the Rev. Mr. Haett, at Trinity Church, Baltimore county, GEORGE T. RIST, of Virginia, to REBECCA C., eldest daughter of John Yellott, esq., of Maryland.

DIED.—At the residence of his parents in Columbia, Missouri, on the 17th inst., after a long and painful illness, WILLIAM EDWARD, son of George A. and Mary F. Turner, aged 1 year 7 months and 17 days.

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TENTH MONTH. SUN SUN MOON'S PHASES.

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PORT OF ALEXANDRIA—OCTOBER 7.

ARRIVED.  
Schr. Emily Murray, Thomas, Baltimore, guano to Fowle & Co.  
Schr. Caroline, Hattin, Baltimore, guano to Jas. C. Nevett.  
Schr. Helix, McNamee, Baltimore, guano to Fowle & Co.  
Schr. Belle R. Hull, Holmes, Providence, to Master.  
Schr. J. B. & F. L. Pharo, Egg Harbor, to Master.  
Steamer C. C. Alger, Fenton, Philadelphia, to S. Shinn.  
Steamer J. N. Smith, Hazard, Philadelphia, merchandise to Wm. H. Fowle & Son.

DEPARTED.  
Brigs Monica, Lord, Wm. Dresser, Hatch, and Chas. Heath, Lord, and Schrs. Sylvanus Allen, Sayres, hence at Boston 5th inst.  
Schr. Ann Eliza, Jones, for this port, and Willet S. Hinton, Patterson, District of Columbia, sailed from Richmond 5th inst.  
Schr. Friendship, Appleghat, for this port, d. at Baltimore 6th inst.  
Schr. Fallow Craft, Lane, hence at St. John, N. B., 20th ult.  
Schr. Florence, Harris, hence at Norfolk 5th inst.

NOTICE.—The subscriber having taken out letters of administration on the estate of Mrs. Ann Emerson, deceased, all persons indebted to said estate will please come forward and settle the same, and all those having claims against said estate will present them properly proved, on or before the 10th day of October next, at 10 o'clock, at the Court House in Alexandria, before the undersigned, JAS. C. NEVETT, Administrator.

NOTICE.—On and after Saturday, October 1st, 1859, the price of our MILK will be eight cents per quart.  
J. W. GREENLAND, R. ROYCE & CO., J. W. GREENLAND, R. ROYCE & CO., 203-215 MARKHAM.

LOST DOG.—Disappeared on the evening of the 29th of September, a SETTER DOG with white body, yellow spots on the back and head. A suitable reward will be paid if returned to me. DRAYTON G. MEADE, No. 12 Fairfax street.

WHITE COLUMBIAN GUANO.—An additional supply of Columbian Guano, from the Island of "El Roque," analysing 30 per cent. Bone Phosphate of Lime, for sale at lowest rates. JAS. C. NEVETT, No. 8.

FRESH COCA NUTS, and all kinds of business MERCE, POTATOES, just received per Schrs. Jenny Lind, and store and for sale, by ISAAC PAUL, corner of Union and Queen streets.

ENGLISH AND FRENCH Hair and Teeth BRUSHES, also, a superior article of English SCISSORS, for sale at RICHARDS', No. 8.

VERY LARGE SIZE TRUNKS, an elegant article for packing summer clothing, sold at cost, at RICHARDS'.

NEW and old superior Sugar Cured HAMs, just received, in store and for sale by JOHN A. DIXON, No. 8.

NEW ORLEANS and P. R. MOLASSES, also, Golden SYRUP, in store, and for sale by JOHN A. DIXON, No. 8.

100 Lard & Mackerel, Codfish, Smoked Herrings, just received and for sale by JOHN A. DIXON, No. 8.

CHEESE.—Western and English Dairy Cheese, for sale by H. H. ROBINSON, No. 8.

20 BAGS OLD GOVERNMENT JAVA COFFEE, very fine, in store, and for sale by MARSHALL & CO., No. 8.

100 BBLs. NO. 1 EASTPORT HERRING, in store, and for sale by MARSHALL & CO., No. 8.

## COMMERCIAL.

## Monetary.

The money market again exhibits a greater degree of stringency. There is a pressing demand without any increase in the supply, and rates on the street have advanced. The New York prices quote money firm at 6 1/2 to 7 per cent. At the discount houses, rather more paper is offering. Prime short paper still goes at 6 1/2 to 7; first class, 5 to 6; from yard, delivered. Prime Wood \$2.50 to \$2.75 by the cargo; from the yards, \$3.50. Oak \$3.50 to \$3.75 per cargo; \$1.50 from the yards.

Alexandria Cattle Market, Oct. 7. [Reported by J. Richardson, Stock Agent.]

BEY CATTLE.—The offerings this week reached about 115 head; 100 of which were taken by city butchers, at prices ranging from \$3 to \$3.75, averaging \$3.20—an advance of 4 cents. The 15, since last week—18 were driven on to the District market.

STEER.—We have no change to note in the market for Sheep. Lambs and Muttons from \$2 to \$3.75, according to quality.

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## ALEXANDRIA FUEL MARKET.

There is no change to note in the prices of Wood and Coal. The supply of both articles is good, with a very fair demand. Wood is coming in freely by River and Railroads. No arrivals of Cumberland Coal, but the supply on hand is adequate to meet all wants. Anthracite abundant. We quote Red Ash at \$5.50 from the yard, and \$5.25 from vessels; White \$5.00 from vessel, and \$5.25 from yard, delivered. Pine Wood \$2.50 to \$2.75 by the cargo; from the yards, \$3.50. Oak \$3.50 to \$3.75 per cargo; \$1.50 from the yards.

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## LOCAL ITEMS.

TOBACCO.—We hope the time will soon come when we can have a suitable Tobacco Warehouse here, and also an Inspection of Tobacco, which will induce planters within the reach of our market to send their crops here. We understand that the culture of Tobacco is largely increasing in Prince William, Fauquier, Rappahannock, Orange, and all the counties bordering on the Orange & Alexandria, Manassas Gap, and Central Railroads. We do not see why Chewing Tobacco, as well of Cigars, could not be advantageously manufactured here, as well as in other places, to be sent to all parts of the country. The subject of the establishment of a Tobacco Warehouse was agitated by the City Council some time since, but no definite action was taken. The matter is again referred to, for the purpose of bringing it to the consideration of our citizens, and those most deeply interested in securing a trade from which so many neighboring cities, in and out of the State, are reaping rich rewards.

COUNTY COURT.—Fifth Day.—A rule was awarded against twenty-one of the twenty-eight drawn petit jurors, who failed to appear at the Court House, six of whom having given satisfactory excuses, the rules in their cases were discharged.

Commonwealth vs. Wm. Smith and Ellen Smith, charged with stealing a coat on the 11th of July. Verdict of guilty against Ellen Smith, and not guilty in the case of Wm. Smith. The former was ordered to be imprisoned in jail for ten days, and the latter discharged. C. E. Stuart for prosecution, G. W. Brent for the defence.

Commonwealth vs. G. W. J. Bell, on an indictment for permitting unlawful gaming at his ordinary. Verdict of not guilty. C. E. Stuart for the prosecution, G. W. Brent for the defence.

Commonwealth vs. Wm. King, indicted, with two others for assaulting Wm. Kane, on the 25th of May. Verdict of guilty and for \$15 fine, and the prisoner ordered to be confined in jail for thirty days, and until the fine and costs are paid. C. E. Stuart for the prosecution, G. W. Brent for the defence.

Commonwealth vs. T. Huntington, John Ballenger and James Skidmore, on indictment for retailing ardent spirits without licence. Judgement against the defendants for costs. C. E. Stuart for the prosecution, G. W. Brent for the defence.

Overland Mail Attacked by the Indians. St. Louis Oct. 7.—A dispatch from Independence states that the mail party, which left there on the 19th ult., for Santa Fe, was attacked by Indians beyond the Pawnee Ford. The conductor and another man were killed.

The incoming mail from Santa Fe, which was due on Tuesday, has not arrived, and fears are entertained for the safety of the party.

Arrival of the Fulton. NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 7.—The steamship Fulton from Southampton on the afternoon of the 21st of September, has been signalled from Sandy Hook. Her dates are the same as those by the Hungarian.

The Mississippi Elections, etc. NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 6.—Scattering returns from the Mississippi election show Democratic gains.

The vigilance committee still continue their operations.

Prize Fight.